

ONE NAVY FLIER'S BODY RECOVERED

Delaware Gives Up Coxswain Souder—Sailors Search for Other Victims

PROBE OF MISHAP STARTED

The body of one of three naval officers who lost their lives when a naval flying boat plunged into the Delaware river of Seaside Island yesterday was recovered before noon today.

Search is being made for the bodies of the two other victims. The body recovered is that of Coxswain H. G. Souder, of Atlantic City. It will be sent to his home.

The others who lost their lives in the accident were: Ensign Harold L. Roerick, of Pasadena, Calif., pilot of the wrecked plane, Chief Machinist's Mate S. E. Ehrke, of Milwaukee.

The plane has been salvaged and towed to the shore and is being made the subject of a strict investigation in an effort to determine whether the accident was the result of faulty construction or one of the unforeseen circumstances which are still a constant menace to airmen.

Two occupants of the machine were fortunate enough to be thrown free of the entangling wires and fuselage and escaped death as Philadelphia. They are W. K. Warner, 1520 Diamond street, a sailor, now in the Naval Hospital at the navy yard, with a fractured leg and other injuries, and R. Parker, of Oak Lane, a civilian aeronautical engineer at the yard, who suffered minor injuries. Parker was sent to his home today.

Warner, who is twenty-two years old and a carpenter's mate, enlisted in the navy in June, 1918. He is in his enlistment as a civilian worker in the airplane production factory at the yard. Both his parents are dead and he lives with his uncle, Dr. P. A. Pratt, at 1520 Diamond street.

The body of Coxswain Souder was recovered in ten feet of water a short distance from where the plane dived into the water. It had been carried by the tide.

A number of naval craft and divers will keep up the search in the water until the other two bodies are recovered. The work is being directed by Ensign Dunlap.

The smash occurred while hundreds of persons were watching the plane. It was up on a trial flight to establish radio connections with the yard.

The crash of the F-5-L, is the first airplane accident at the navy yard in which life was lost since the aircraft factory was established at the yard.

Eight Phila. Casualties

Four, Previously Reported Missing, Are Listed as Dead

Eight Philadelphia men named in a casualty list of 135 names released by the War Department today.

Private John W. Frost, 2805 North Twelfth street, died from accident or other cause. Private Gregory P. Copple, 203 East Haines street, was wounded severely. Private George P. Dougherty, 1543 South Twenty-ninth street, died from wounds received in action. He had been previously reported as missing in action.

Bugler Howard W. Munder, 3423 North Sixteenth street, and Private Edward A. Smith, 1229 Shackamaxon street, died of wounds. They had been previously reported missing in action. Sergeant Albert W. Buckner, 7111 Tulip street, and Privates James J. Barry, 3731 Haverford avenue, and Philip A. Guanine, 581 Rodman street, have died. They had been previously reported as missing in action.

SHIP FIRM COMES HERE

First Sailing of Vessels From This City Set for July 20

The business of the port of Philadelphia is booming.

Announcement is made of the diverting of this port to the business of one firm operating seventy-five freight carriers between the United States and European ports.

Megee, Steer & Co., agents for the Brooks Steamship Company, made the announcement and gave the date of the first sailing as July 20. The ship will be the Thiala and will make stops at Hamburg, Danzig, Helsingfors, Copenhagen, Gothenburg and Christiania.

Five days later the steamship Airlie will sail, and another vessel, the Birchleaf, will leave this port on August 1. Other sailings will depend upon the amount of tonnage available. The Brooks agency here is confident that its present fleet of thirty-five vessels will be insufficient to meet the demand within a few months. All of these vessels are of about 4000 tons each.

DUE TO RAIN FOR 40 DAYS

'Tis St. Swithin's Day—If Legend Holds True Bad Weather Is Ahead

If an old tradition is true, it will rain for forty days, for this is St. Swithin's Day.

St. Swithin is hailed in song and story as a goodly man who had his off days, like the weather, and when, as a bishop, he came to die like common mortals, he besought that he be buried beneath the eaves of Winchester Cathedral, so the dripping rain from the eaves would be a constant reminder of his life and that he would be remembered by his people, perhaps for his very earthly frailties, that they called him "saint."

Forecaster Bliss says a storm, moving northeastward and centering over Lake Ontario, will have passed by Philadelphia shortly after noon.

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Municipal appointments announced today include: Louis Wilson, 2409 Christian street, and John Carney, 2223 South Third street, assistant teachers, Bureau of Recreation, \$900 a year; and James Taylor, 618 Martin street, watchman, Bureau of Water, \$840 a year.

PRESIDENT THANKS CRIPPLE FOR PORTRAIT SHE PAINTED

Rosalie Freedman Made Happy by Wilson's Letter of Acknowledgment and His Expression of Good Wishes for the Success of Her Future Efforts

ROSALIE FREEDMAN, of 1321 Race street, is the happiest girl in Philadelphia today, and her indomitable spirit and ambition are soaring even higher than usual.

President Wilson has personally acknowledged the receipt of his portrait, which Rosalie, a cripple for many years, painted by holding the brush in her teeth.

A dozen persons in various parts of the city, who read the article about Rosalie in the Evening Public Ledger recently, have written her to cheer her on to further efforts and to tell her that her splendid persistence and determination have served as an inspiration to others.

"Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the fourth of July," wrote President Wilson, "and of the accompanying portrait. I greatly appreciate the good will which prompted this courtesy and thank you warmly for your kind wishes. With best wishes, Sincerely yours,

"WOODROW WILSON."

Rosalie's fate was alight with joy as she sat at her home today and talked of her plans. Her arms were folded so the twisted, knotted hands were hidden. In her excitement it was even more difficult than usual for her to articulate, but somehow the words spilled themselves out.

"I'm going to work harder than ever now," she said. "It is such an inspiration to have an acknowledgment from Mr. Wilson. I shall frame his letter and keep it to cheer me when I get tired and blue. That isn't often now that I have an object in life. I mean to become a real artist, and these other kind people who have written are helping me, too."

Miss Louise Nowland, of Wilmington, Del., has asked the crippled girl to paint a picture for her.

"You are certainly to be congratulated," wrote Miss Nowland. "I read an account of you in the Evening Public Ledger and of the painting you made of President Wilson. I cannot lose an opportunity to write such a plucky girl as you. You are fine. It there were more people with your courageous spirit it would be a happier world for every one. I am sure you can earn something with your art."

"You feel able, I would like to give you an order for painting. I can only order a very small one, as five dollars is my limit. But anything you would like to paint I would appreciate. Your ambition and tenacity of purpose are splendid, and your example should certainly give us all much more patience and courage for having heard of you."

The Rev. C. A. Butz, of Bethlehem, Pa., also wrote an inspiring letter to Rosalie. "Your spirit is fine," he said. "You give encouragement to all who are possessed of noble ambition."

BANNED FILM OWNERS TAKE PLEA TO COURT

Distributors of "The End of the Road" Will Test Power of State Censors

Judges Martin, Staake and Monaghan, of Common Pleas Court No. 5, fixed 3 o'clock this afternoon for hearing the appeal of the producers of "The End of the Road," the banned motion picture, who asked an injunction to determine whether the state board of censors has the power to stop the showing of the film to mixed audiences here.

C. Lloyd Hopkins, manager of the picture, said that it was not clear to him why the motion picture was permitted to be brought here at great expense and shown for three weeks and then stopped.

Harry L. Knapp, chairman of the board of censors, refused to discuss the case today further than to say that he expected the management of the picture would seek an injunction.

The film was shown at the Garrick Theatre at the matinee yesterday, in defiance of the censors. Last night a cordon of patrolmen around the entrance of the theatre stopped the showing of the film. Although many persons applied at the box office for tickets today, none was sold. It was announced that the showing of the picture had been stopped temporarily.

Mr. Hopkins said that some time ago an attempt was made to show the picture in Pennsylvania, but the censors would not permit it. The film was shown in all the other states, Mr. Hopkins said, and finally an appeal was made to the management by the Pennsylvania State Board of Health to show it here as an educational picture.

At that time, Mr. Hopkins said, that a ruling by the attorney general permitted the showing of the film without the consent of the board of censors.

John G. Reyer will handle the case for the distributors.

WASHES IN "GAS," BURNS

Helper Injured When Vapor Ignites, Setting Vehicle Ablaze

William Diehl, twenty years old, of 712 South Twenty-first street, caused a lot of excitement yesterday when he washed his arms in gasoline, also he landed in the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital with serious burns of the arms and hands.

Diehl is a helper on one of the tar wagons of the Atlantic Refining Company. In these wagons the tar is kept liquid by a fire underneath the body of the wagon.

It is dirty work, and the workmen cleanse their hands and arms with gasoline. At noon yesterday Diehl washed his arms and hands in preparation for lunch. He got too close to the wagon immediately afterward, and there was a slight explosion as the vapor caught fire from the flames under the wagon.

While Diehl bent out the flames on his arms and hands the tar wagon burst into flames, and it was necessary to summon the fire apparatus from the fire house at Sixty-first and Thompson streets. Before they arrived at Seventy-first street and Haverford avenue, the scene of the accident, the wagon had been destroyed.

SHOPLIFTING LAID TO BOYS

"Don't Say a Word," Said One Youth Entering Police Station

Police who today arrested two boys charged with shoplifting in the store of Blakeley Brothers, 532 Federal street, Camden, believe they are members of a gang that has perpetrated other recent robberies and that they have been coached by older men.

John Cohen, fourteen years old, of Twenty-fifth and South streets, and Charles Shudis, thirteen, of 620 Tasker street, Philadelphia, are the boys. As they were entering the police station after being arrested the police claim one whispered to the other, "Don't say a word."

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Attempt to Block Fusion at Election in November Predicted by Leaders

LANK WILL GO TO ALASKA

Democratic leaders fear an attempt will be made to "steal" the Democratic mayoralty nomination at the primaries in September for the purpose of blocking fusion at the general election in November.

Rumors, Democratic leaders say, have reached their ears that either Municipal Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell or former Public Service Commissioner Michael J. Ryan might lead a fight against the Democratic organization at Tenth and Walnut streets.

It is conceded that either Judge Bonniwell or the former public service commissioner would make a formidable opponent to any candidate put up by the regulars.

As a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination last spring Judge Bonniwell carried the city against the combined efforts of the organization at Tenth and Walnut streets and the Palmer-McCormick Democrats.

An opposition candidate who would refuse to make any fusion deal would receive the encouragement, if not the actual support, of the Vero-controlled Republican city committee. Any move that would block probable fusion would enhance the chances of the Vero forces both at the primary and at the general election, should they succeed in nominating their ticket at the primary.

Unless an opposing candidate for the mayoralty appears the Democratic organization will take little interest in the primary campaign, but will await developments after the Republican factions have fought it out.

Should there be no factional fight within the Democratic ranks it is certain that most of the Democratic division workers will do a little work on the side for whichever wing of the Republican organization they lean toward.

Edgar W. Lank, Democratic city chairman, leaves Friday for a trip to Alaska via the Panama canal, but will return home before the primaries. In his absence Edwin K. Barie, vice chairman, will act as temporary chairman.

Some of the Democratic leaders favored a program against fusion. They would have liked to put up a strong city ticket and then appeal to the defeated Republican faction for support following the primary battle.

This plan, however, meets with little encouragement, on because of the difficulty in finding Democrats of a high type who are willing to become candidates.

CALLS LYE CHARGE "LIE"

Woman Faces Trial for Pouring Substance on Kids

While the city chemist and other experts try to find out whether Mrs. Annie Letton, of 241 Moore street, poured lye-water on eight children July 5, as alleged by neighbors, Mrs. Letton, 1809 South Lee street, principal witness, rests secure in the knowledge that the accused is under \$600 bail for court. The charge is aggravated assault and battery.

Mrs. Letton is said to have poured the liquid from a second-story window on children who were playing on her front step.

Mrs. Josephine Barnett, of 27 Moore street, and Miss Krieger, an investigator for the Society to Protect Children from Cruelty, were witnesses in the case, which was tried before Magistrate Pennock this morning.

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DEFENSE COUNCIL NO LONGER EXISTS

Other Organizations and the City Will Carry on Some of Its Work

Without ceremony or special formality the Council of National Defense officially ceases to exist in Philadelphia today.

J. Jarlen Guenther and his associates will work till 5 o'clock as usual, then shake hands with one another and depart. Mr. Guenther and his secretary will remain in his offices till August 1 to clear up the last details of the work and to arrange for the equipping of some of the work by the city or other organizations.

"The Council of National Defense," said Mr. Guenther today, "was a war organization and carried on its work quietly and effectively. Its work is virtually ended and it will cease to exist as quietly as it began."

There are several things started by the council which probably will be carried on by the city. Among these things is the collection of war records of Philadelphia men who entered service. The council started to make the survey and compile the records. These are not complete, and Mayor Smith will be asked to have the city take over the work. There was also a movement to collect photographs of Philadelphia during war time, of the various war industries, including munitions plants, shipyards, the navy yard and Liberty Loan campaigns. This collection most probably will be completed as a part of the city's war record.

FAIRVIEW CHURCH LEFT \$150

Other Wills Probated Provide Only for Private Bequests

A bequest of \$150 to the Fairview Methodist Church, Fairview, Pa., is contained in the will of David P. Keever, 5326 De Lancy street, probated today. The remainder of the \$5200 estate is devised to relatives of the testator.

Other wills probated, containing only private bequests, were those of Mary Devlin, 2234 South Bannock street, \$7000; and Elizabeth E. Wilson, 7012 Torresdale avenue, \$4500.

Appraisals for persons filed included the estates of William F. Fixon, \$129,424.88; Franklin R. Moore, \$10,086.74; Charles Seitz, \$7997.37; Elizabeth Bechtel, \$4971.41; Mary J. McCombs, \$3367.03; and Susan M. Sanger, \$3139.24.

TUNNEL DECISION RESERVED

Courts Hear Argument on Contract Fight on Proposed Museum

Argument was heard and decision reserved by Judges Auleri and McCallen in Common Pleas Court No. 4 yesterday in the taxpayer's suit brought by Wilder P. Haines against the Park commissioners and city officials to restrain the execution of a contract awarded to P. W. Mark for tunneling and other work on the proposed Philadelphia Art Museum on the Parkway.

The general complaint is that the contract was not awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The contract was awarded to Mr. Mark on his bid of \$2,150,000. The court is also asked to enjoin the rejection of the bid of the Standard Construction Company, which was for \$459,500, or \$161,350 below the price submitted by the successful bidder.